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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.182 FOR DUPLICATE LETTERS PATENT

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Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions for the issuance of duplicate original Letters

Patent for the above-identified matter for the reasons stated below.

The above-identified patent issued on April 5, 2005. When it was discovered that the original Letters Patent was never received in our office, a telephone call was made to the Patent Office to determine if the original Letters Patent had been mailed. The Patent Office personnel advised that the original Letters Patent was mailed on April 5, 2005, but was subsequently returned to the Patent Office. The Patent Office personnel also indicated that the original Letters Patent was apparently re-mailed after it was returned to the Patent Office.

To date, the Letters Patent has not been received in our office. The undersigned has searched the file jacket for this application/patent and was unable to locate the original Letters Patent. The undersigned also searched our firm's docketing records where an entry would have been made had the original Letters

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Patent been received and the docketing records indicate that the original Letters

Patent has never been received. A copy of the firm's docketing record for this patent
is attached. If additional supporting documentation is needed, the undersigned
respectfully request that he be notified.

The petition fee of \$400.00 required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.182 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(f) is attached.

A refund of the petition fee of \$400.00 is respectfully requested because the need for issuance of this duplicate Letters Patent is not attributable to any fault on the part of the Applicants.

The Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment to PTO Deposit Account No. <u>02-4800</u>.

Respectfully submitted,

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